

1 AN ACT in relation to adoption procedures.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 7.3 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 505/7.3)

7 Sec. 7.3. Placement plan. The Department shall develop  
8 and implement a written plan for placing children. The plan  
9 must ~~shall~~ include at least the following features:

10 (1) A plan for recruiting minority adoptive and  
11 foster families. The plan shall include strategies for  
12 using existing resources in minority communities, use of  
13 minority outreach staff whenever possible, use of  
14 minority foster homes for placements after birth and  
15 before adoption, and other techniques as appropriate.

16 (2) A plan for training adoptive and foster  
17 families of minority children.

18 (3) A plan for employing social workers in adoption  
19 and foster care. The plan shall include staffing goals  
20 and objectives.

21 (4) A plan for ensuring that adoption and foster  
22 care workers attend training offered or approved by the  
23 Department regarding the State's goal of encouraging  
24 cultural diversity and the needs of special needs  
25 children.

26 (Source: P.A. 89-422.)

27 Section 10. The Juvenile Court Act of 1987 is amended by  
28 changing Section 2-10.1 as follows:

29 (705 ILCS 405/2-10.1) (from Ch. 37, par. 802-10.1)

1           Sec. 2-10.1. ~~If Whenever~~ a minor is placed in shelter  
2 care with the Department or a licensed child welfare agency  
3 in accordance with Section 2-10, the Department or agency, as  
4 appropriate, shall prepare and file with the court within 45  
5 days of placement under Section 2-10 a case plan which  
6 complies with the federal Adoption Assistance and Child  
7 Welfare Act of 1980 and is consistent with the health, safety  
8 and best interests of the minor.

9           (Source: P.A. 90-28, eff. 1-1-98.)

10           Section 15. The Adoption Act is amended by changing  
11 Section 3 as follows:

12           (750 ILCS 50/3) (from Ch. 40, par. 1504)

13           Sec. 3. Who may be adopted.

14           A male or female child, or an adult, may be adopted,  
15 provided the other conditions set forth in this Act are met,  
16 and further provided, with respect to an adult, that the such  
17 adult has resided in the home of the persons intending to  
18 adopt him at any time for more than 2 years continuously  
19 preceding the commencement of an adoption proceeding, or in  
20 the alternative that the such persons are related to him  
21 within a degree set forth in the definition of a related  
22 child in Section 1 of this Act.

23           (Source: Laws 1959, p. 1269.)